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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO SEPTEMBER 26, 2002 OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment is submitted in response to a September 26, 2002 Office Action issued in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the September 26, 2002 Office Action is due October 26, 2002. Accordingly, this response is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

In the Brief Description of Figures:

Please replace the Figure description starting at page 5, line 2 with the following rewritten Figure description:

- Figure 1

Oligonucleotide sequences complementary to bcl-X_L mRNA; A (SEQ ID NO:1), B (SEQ ID NO:2), C (SEQ ID NO:3), D (SEQ ID NO:4), E (SEQ ID NO:5), F (SEQ ID NO:6), G (SEQ ID NO:7), H (SEQ ID NO:8), I (SEQ ID

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